

A BILL

TO AUTHORIZE RAILWAY CORPORATIONS TO CONDEMN LANDS FOR ADDITIONAL RIGHT OF WAY, ON WHICH TO ERECT SNOW FENCES AND PLANT HEDGES, ADDITIONAL TO CODE, CHAPTER 5, TITLE X, OF RAILWAYS.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Any Railway Corporation, owning or operating a completed railway, or building a railway in the State of Iowa, shall have power to condemn lands for additional right of way on which to erect snow fences, or plant hedges, in the same manner as is provided by law for the condemnation of the right of way. *Provide* *that*, that before any proceedings shall be instituted to condemn such additional grounds, the railway company shall apply to the Railway Commissioners, who shall give notice to the land-owner, and examine into the matter, and report by certificate to the Clerk of the Circuit Court in the county in which the land is situated, the amount and description of the additional lands necessary for the reasonable use of such railway for protection against blockades by snow. Whereupon, said railway company shall have power to condemn the lands so certified by the Commissioners.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importance, shall take effect and be in force, from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, and the Iowa State Leader, newspapers published in Des Moines, Iowa.